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For	:	IDENTIFYING ITEMS WITH NUCLEIC ACID TAGGANTS	)	

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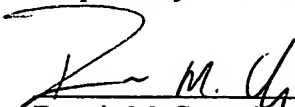
In response to the June 9, 2006 written restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect Group I (i.e. claims 1-30), drawn to methods of nucleic acid analysis, classified in class 435, subclass 6 with traverse.

However, applicants submit that all groups of the invention identified in the outstanding office action are closely related and, therefore, would require common areas of search and consideration. Thus, there is no benefit in having these groups of claims examined and prosecuted in separate applications.

In view of the foregoing, applicants submit that the claims of Groups I and II should be examined on the merits at this time.

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